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Chief, HTA

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Chief, MSB

Suggestion Concerning Briefings

25X1 Reference: (A) Letter from [redacted] OSI, dated 20 December 1957
25X1 [redacted] (attached).

1. In addition to the suggestion contained in Ref. (A), the following points are offered for your consideration:

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B. Tyura Tan.

1. Size of hole - 880' x 550' - Launch Area A
Size of launch table - 130' x 159'
Size of tower - 17' diameter, 64' in height
2. Launch Area B - has precisely the same security as launch area A:
 - a. Double fencing.
 - b. Light poles between outer and inner fences.
 - c. Guard towers.
3. Water flooding of Launch Area A was discounted as being accomplished through the large "pipe" shown on drawings. This "pipe" is some 10' in diameter and has a free unsupported span of over 200'. This pipe leads to a low earth-covered bunker (questioned as water storage) thought possibly to be for personnel, possibly the control bunkers. The so-called water "pipe" was pointed out as being very similar to some of our own cable galleries, including personnel access way (walk way).
4. You have referred to Azura at TT as being located in a circular dish. The circular appearance is due to a circular graded area.
5. The installation at Uka on the Kamchatka Peninsula, identical to the Azura at TT, does not have the circular graded area. In addition to the Azura at Uka, there is a possible one under construction, 35 NM North of Klyuchi.

C. Kapustin Yar.

1. The consultants emphasized the fact that at KY each main launch area, eg, the Moscow-type SAM site, the short-range 76 to 160 NM area, the 300 NM, 650 NM, 900 NM Area, etc., has its own instrumentation and apparently can schedule firings independently. This is not the case at Canaveral.
2. Number of Launch Pads.
Nine launch areas which include:
 - 10 permanent short-and intermediate-range ballistic missile pads

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72 pads in the Moscow-type SAM area
8-10 troop training ballistic launch positions
At least 2 aero-dynamic launch positions

- D. New airfield E. of Murmanak - you have referred to the four areas at extremity of the long taxiway as underground entrances. This area appears on the far oblique and the four areas appear to be hardstands.

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Enclosure:
Reference A

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